

WHAT'S HAPPENING WEDNESDAY

Kansas Immunization Program

November 28, 2018

VFC Consultant On-Call

The Consultant for November 26—30 is Jayme Lewis (jayme.lewis@ks.gov or 785-296-5592).

The Consultant for December 3—7 will be Dena Rueb (dena.rueb@ks.gov or 785-296-5592).



CHIEF CHAT

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is hosting a webinar focused on giving a strong recommendation to patients to receive an influenza vaccination. The webinar will cover the burden and severity of last year's flu season.

Benefits of vaccination including potential flu burden averted by vaccination and how to make a strong recommendation. This webinar is open to the public, but participants must register beforehand. [Click here](#) to register.

The Association of Immunization Managers (AIM) and the Immunization Action Coalition (IAC) recently released a flu one pager that was created to highlight the benefits of influenza vaccination beyond disease prevention. They have updated an earlier version because CDC also updated the 2017-2018 adult coverage rates and number of overall and pediatric deaths due to influenza. ([click here](#) for the document).

This one pager details ways in which influenza vaccination can help reduce the severity of illness and prevent disability due to influenza. The document also notes communications strategies that healthcare providers can use when talking to patients about getting their annual influenza vaccination. The one pager is developed from the content of [Dr. L.J.Tan's presentation on seasonal influenza vaccination effectiveness](#).

Please feel free to circulate this one pager to healthcare providers and other interested parties.

Every Child By Two has changed their name to Vaccinate Your Family: The Next Generation of Every Child By Two (VYF)! This name change is in recognition of the

organization's expanded mission of protecting people of all ages against vaccine-preventable diseases. Vaccinate Your Family is also updating its website, which incorporates the essential information from previous websites (www.vaccinateyourfamily.org, www.ecbt.org & www.vaccinateyourbaby.org). The [Shot of Prevention blog](#) has also been updated as well as social media accounts like @Vaxyourfam on Twitter, and Vaccinate Your Family on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube. Each of these sites has been rebranded to reflect the organization's new name and logos.

You can help promote VYF's new name and website, and their newly designed Shot of Prevention blog by retweeting posts from @Vaxyourfam, and sharing Vaccinate Your Family Facebook posts today and throughout the next few weeks. Additionally, please "like" and share VYF Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube posts and videos.

Please note, if your organization has links to any older websites (ecbt.org and vaccinateyourbaby.org), please make sure to update them to www.vaccinateyourfamily.org. If needed, the description should read: Vaccinate Your Family: The Next Generation of Every Child By Two (VYF) is a nonprofit organization that is committed to educating the public, healthcare providers, policymakers and the media about the importance of timely vaccinations and supporting pro-vaccination policies.

Have a great week and thank you for all you do to keep Kansans safe from vaccine preventable diseases.



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<https://www.facebook.com/ImmunizeKS/>



KSWebIZ

Statutory Mandated Reporting Coming

In an effort to continue to remind all providers of vaccine in Kansas that effective July 1, 2020, all vaccines administered in Kansas must be reported to KSWebIZ, we would like to assist you with ideas to consider on how your practice will meet this requirement.

The KSWebIZ staff along with all Kansas Immunization Program (KIP) staff are committed to helping you meet this requirement. There are two ways to report vaccines administered to the registry. First is with a direct connection from your electronic medical record to KSWebIZ. This connection is done through HL7 messaging using a 2.5.1 **Simple Object Access Protocol** (SOAP) messaging envelope to carry the information about the patient and the vaccine

administered. For many of us, this is very technical language and we encourage you to work with your information technology staff and or your EHR vendor to assist in further understanding. This is most likely the best option for a practice that administers many vaccines daily.

If your practice only administers a few vaccines each month or just seasonal vaccines (like influenza), establishing a direct entry account for KSWebIZ may be the more cost efficient and easier method for meeting this requirement.

The best place to start this decision process is to contact the KSWebIZ helpdesk at 877-296-0464 or kdhe.immunizationregistry@ks.gov.

Vaccine Information Statement Current Publication Date

Anthrax	3/21/18	Tdap	2/24/15
Chickenpox	2/12/18	MMRV	2/12/18
DTaP/DT/DTP	8/24/18	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis A	7/20/16	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	10/12/18	PPSV	4/24/15
Hib	4/2/15	Polio	7/20/16
HPV	12/2/16	Rabies	10/6/09
Influenza (LAIV4)	8/07/15	Rotavirus	2/23/18
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8/07/15	Shingles	2/12/18
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Smallpox	10/01/09
MenACWY	8/24/18	Td	4/11/17
MenB	8/09/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MMR	2/12/18	Yellow fever	3/30/11



INJECTION OF EDUCATION

Recently, Daylight Saving Time came to an end and we were able to roll our clocks back an hour. The time settings on the KIP-supplied data loggers will need to be changed as well. Step-by-step instructions found in Video Part 3 will guide you through how to change the time settings on the data loggers. This video is only 2 minutes long so changing the time should not be a lengthy process. This video and all other Berlinger data logger videos can be found on our website at: http://www.kdhe.ks.gov/immunize/datalogger_information.htm.

Be sure, when changing the time settings, that the date settings are not altered. Altered date settings can cause issues when uploading the data into KSWebIZ. Also, the temperature setting will need to remain in Celsius format.

Changing the time on the data loggers allows for not only accurate temperature recordings, but accurate time recordings as well. If vaccine storage units are found to be outside of the recommended temperature range, vaccine manufacturers may need to be contacted to determine vaccine viability. Manufacturers need the temperature range vaccines have been exposed to, as well as the amount of time the vaccine has been out of range. If the data logger's time settings are correct, it allows for a more accurate picture. Reports generated by the data logger will also be more accurate if the time settings are correct. The time vaccines are out of temperature range can make a difference in vaccine viability. As always, if an "X" is displayed on the data logger, follow the Temperature Excursion Worksheet instructions and contact your Regional Immunization Consultant or the Regional Consultant On Call to report.

If you have any questions, please call your Regional Immunization Consultant or the Regional Consultant On Call.

Influenza Surveillance



November 27, 2018

Forty Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet) sites in Kansas are monitoring patients for influenza-like illness (ILI) – symptoms include a fever ($\geq 100^{\circ}\text{F}$) and the presence of a cough and/or sore throat. ILINet sites are also asked to submit up to five specimens for testing at the Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories (KHEL). These specimens help monitor what types of influenza are present in Kansas. During the week ending November 17th, ILINet sites reported 1.5% of visits were due to ILI. There have been no positive influenza specimens tested at KHEL although KDHE has received reports of positive influenza tests across the state. Any facility interested in participating in ILINet should contact Amie Cook at amie.cook@ks.gov or (785) 296-2898. Stay updated on influenza activity at <http://www.kdheks.gov/flu/surveillance.htm>.



VAX FACTS

Loss of an Immunization Giant

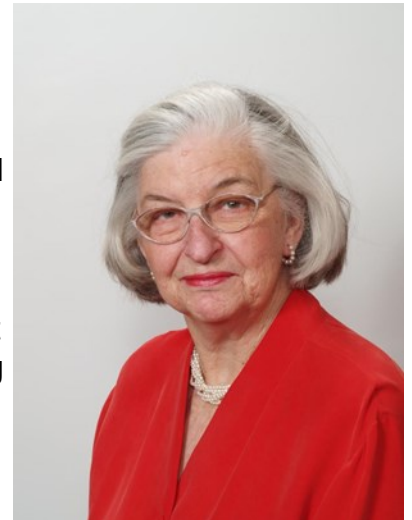
Tribute to Every Child By Two Co-Founder Betty Bumpers (by Claire Hannon, Association of Immunization Managers Executive Director)

I am truly saddened to share that Mrs. Betty Bumpers, co-founder of Every Child by Two, passed away peacefully on November 23. Mrs. Bumpers worked tirelessly to assure that children would not be vulnerable to vaccine-preventable disease. She coupled her strong will, ingenuity, and position of power to get school vaccination requirements and other vaccination policies enacted across the country. She inspired governors and their spouses to promote vaccinations, and she worked with Senators including her husband Dale Bumpers to increase funding for immunization programs. We would not be where we are today without Mrs. Bumpers and Every Child By Two!

I first met Mrs. Bumpers many years ago when I joined ASTHO and was asked to speak at an Every Child By Two conference. Mrs. Bumpers grilled me with tough questions about how states

were spending 317 funding, and then afterward told me how much she liked my hair cut and asked how she could help support the states. She was tough when she needed to be, but she was also inspiring and willing to jump in and get her hands dirty. As I interacted with her in later years

while serving on the Every Child By Two board, I saw that wonderful passion and sisterhood that she brought to the immunization community. She taught me the value of making friends and building relationships, because you can't change the world alone. She improved the world tremendously, and inspired others along the way.



Services for Mrs. Bumpers will be held on Saturday, December 1 in Little Rock, AR. [Click here](#) to view her obituary.

Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter "Redistribution" to kdhe.vaccine@ks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464 [Vaccine Redistribution information and lists](#).

Visit the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, [Kansas Immunization Program Redistribution Webpage](#) for additional information and important reminders. There are currently three different lists of vaccines available for redistribution lists available on this page, regular VFC vaccines, influenza vaccines and private vaccines.